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To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to simplify certain rules relating to the taxation of United States business operating abroad, and for other purposes.

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Mr. Levin (for himself and Mr. Houghton) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

A BILL

To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to simplify certain rules relating to the taxation of United States business operating abroad, and for other purposes.

- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; AMENDMENT OF 1986 CODE.
- 4 (a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the
- 5 "International Tax Simplification and Reform Act of
- 6 1995".
- 7 (b) AMENDMENT OF 1986 CODE.—Except as other-
- 8 wise expressly provided, whenever in this Act an amend-
- 9 ment or repeal is expressed in terms of an amendment

1	to, or repeal of, a section or other provision, the reference
2	shall be considered to be made to a section or other provi-
3	sion of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.
4	SEC. 2. INDIRECT FOREIGN TAX CREDIT ALLOWED FOR
5	CERTAIN LOWER TIER COMPANIES.
6	(a) Section 902 Credit.—
7	(1) In general.—Subsection (b) of section
8	902 (relating to deemed taxes increased in case of
9	certain 2nd and 3rd tier foreign corporations) is
10	amended to read as follows:
11	"(b) DEEMED TAXES INCREASED IN CASE OF CER-
12	TAIN LOWER TIER CORPORATIONS.—
13	"(1) In general.—If—
14	"(A) any foreign corporation is a member
15	of a qualified group, and
16	"(B) such foreign corporation owns 10 per-
17	cent or more of the voting stock of another
18	member of such group from which it receives
19	dividends in any taxable year,
20	such foreign corporation shall be deemed to have
21	paid the same proportion of such other member's
22	post-1986 foreign income taxes as would be deter-
23	mined under subsection (a) if such foreign corpora-
24	tion were a domestic corporation.

1	"(2) Qualified group.—For purposes of
2	paragraph (1), the term 'qualified group' means—
3	"(A) the foreign corporation described in
4	subsection (a), and
5	"(B) any other foreign corporation if—
6	"(i) the domestic corporation owns at
7	least 5 percent of the voting stock of such
8	other foreign corporation indirectly
9	through a chain of foreign corporations
10	connected through stock ownership of at
11	least 10 percent of their voting stock,
12	"(ii) the foreign corporation described
13	in subsection (a) is the first tier corpora-
14	tion in such chain, and
15	"(iii) such other corporation is not
16	below the sixth tier in such chain.
17	The term 'qualified group' shall not include any for-
18	eign corporation below the third tier in the chain re-
19	ferred to in clause (i) unless such foreign corpora-
20	tion is a controlled foreign corporation (as defined in
21	section 957) and the domestic corporation is a Unit-
22	ed States shareholder (as defined in section 951(b))
23	in such foreign corporation. Paragraph (1) shall
24	apply to those taxes paid by a member of the quali-
25	fied group below the third tier only with respect to

1	periods during which it was a controlled foreign cor-
2	poration.''
3	(2) Conforming amendments.—
4	(A) Subparagraph (B) of section 902(c)(3)
5	is amended by adding "or" at the end of clause
6	(i) and by striking clauses (ii) and (iii) and in-
7	serting the following new clause:
8	"(ii) the requirements of subsection
9	(b)(2) are met with respect to such foreign
10	corporation.''
11	(B) Subparagraph (B) of section 902(c)(4)
12	is amended by striking "3rd foreign corpora-
13	tion" and inserting "sixth tier foreign corpora-
14	tion".
15	(C) The heading for paragraph (3) of sec-
16	tion 902(c) is amended by striking "WHERE DO-
17	MESTIC CORPORATION ACQUIRES 10 PERCENT
18	OF FOREIGN CORPORATION" and inserting
19	"WHERE FOREIGN CORPORATION FIRST QUALI-
20	FIES".
21	(D) Paragraph (3) of section 902(c) is
22	amended by striking "ownership" each place it
23	appears.

- 1 (b) Section 960 Credit.—Paragraph (1) of section 2 960(a) (relating to special rules for foreign tax credits) 3 is amended to read as follows:
- "(1) DEEMED PAID CREDIT.—For purposes of 4 5 subpart A of this part, if there is included under 6 section 951(a) in the gross income of a domestic cor-7 poration any amount attributable to earnings and profits of a foreign corporation which is a member 8 9 of a qualified group (as defined in section 902(b)) with respect to the domestic corporation, then, ex-10 11 cept to the extent provided in regulations, section 12 902 shall be applied as if the amount so included were a dividend paid by such foreign corporation 13 14 (determined by applying section 902(c) in accord-15 ance with section 904(d)(3)(B)."

(c) Effective Date.—

- (1) IN GENERAL.—The amendments made by this section shall apply to taxes of foreign corporations for taxable years of such corporations beginning after the date of enactment of this Act.
- (2) SPECIAL RULE.—In the case of any chain of foreign corporations described in clauses (i) and (ii) of section 902(b)(2)(B) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (as amended by this section), no liquidation, reorganization, or similar transaction in a

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1	taxable year beginning after the date of the enact-
2	ment of this Act shall have the effect of permitting
3	taxes to be taken into account under section 902 of
4	the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 which could not
5	have been taken into account under such section but
6	for such transaction.
7	SEC. 3. EXCHANGE RATE USED IN TRANSLATING FOREIGN
8	TAXES.
9	(a) Accrued Taxes Translated by Using Aver-
10	AGE RATE FOR YEAR TO WHICH TAXES RELATE.—
11	(1) IN GENERAL.—Subsection (a) of section
12	986 (relating to translation of foreign taxes) is
13	amended to read as follows:
14	"(a) Foreign Income Taxes.—
15	"(1) Translation of accrued taxes.—
16	"(A) In general.—For purposes of deter-
17	mining the amount of the foreign tax credit, in
18	the case of a taxpayer who takes foreign income
19	taxes into account when accrued, the amount of
20	any foreign income taxes (and any adjustment
21	thereto) shall be translated into dollars by using
22	the average exchange rate for the taxable year
23	to which such taxes relate.
24	"(B) Exception for taxes not paid
25	WITHIN FOLLOWING 2 YEARS.—

1	"(i) Subparagraph (A) shall not apply
2	to any foreign income taxes paid after the
3	date 2 years after the close of the taxable
4	year to which such taxes relate.
5	''(ii) Subparagraph (A) shall not
6	apply to taxes paid before the beginning of
7	the taxable year to which such taxes relate.
8	"(C) Exception for inflationary cur-
9	RENCIES.—To the extent provided in regula-
10	tions, subparagraph (A) shall not apply to any
11	foreign income taxes the liability for which is
12	denominated in any currency determined to be
13	an inflationary currency under such regulations.
14	"(D) Cross reference.—
	"For adjustments where tax is not paid within 2 years, see section 905(c).
15	"(2) Translation of taxes to which para-
16	GRAPH (1) DOES NOT APPLY.—For purposes of de-
17	termining the amount of the foreign tax credit, in
18	the case of any foreign income taxes to which sub-
19	paragraph (A) of paragraph (1) does not apply—
20	"(A) such taxes shall be translated into
21	dollars using the exchange rates as of the time
22	such taxes were paid to the foreign country or
23	possession of the United States, and

1	"(B) any adjustment to the amount of
2	such taxes shall be translated into dollars
3	using—
4	"(i) except as provided in clause (ii),
5	the exchange rate as of the time when such
6	adjustment is paid to the foreign country
7	or possession, or
8	"(ii) in the case of any refund or cred-
9	it of foreign income taxes, using the ex-
10	change rate as of the time of the original
11	payment of such foreign income taxes.
12	"(3) Foreign income taxes.—For purposes
13	of this subsection, the term 'foreign income taxes'
14	means any income, war profits, or excess profits
15	taxes paid or accrued to any foreign country or to
16	any possession of the United States."
17	(2) Adjustment when not paid within 2
18	YEARS AFTER YEAR TO WHICH TAXES RELATE.—
19	Subsection (c) of section 905 is amended to read as
20	follows:
21	"(c) Adjustments to Accrued Taxes.—
22	"(1) In general.—If—
23	"(A) accrued taxes when paid differ from
24	the amounts claimed as credits by the taxpayer,

- 1 "(B) accrued taxes are not paid before the 2 date 2 years after the close of the taxable year 3 to which such taxes relate, or
- 4 "(C) any tax paid is refunded in whole or 5 in part,
 - the taxpayer shall notify the Secretary, who shall redetermine the amount of the tax for the year or years affected.
 - "(2) Special rule for taxes not paid within 2 years.—In making the redetermination under paragraph (1), no credit shall be allowed for accrued taxes not paid before the date referred to in subparagraph (B) of paragraph (1). Any such taxes if subsequently paid shall be taken into account for the taxable year in which paid and no redetermination under this section shall be made on account of such payment.
 - "(3) Adjustments.—The amount of tax due on any redetermination under paragraph (1) (if any) shall be paid by the taxpayer on notice and demand by the Secretary, and the amount of tax overpaid (if any) shall be credited or refunded to the taxpayer in accordance with subchapter B of chapter 66 (section 6511 et seq.).

"(4) Bond requirements.—In the case of any tax accrued but not paid, the Secretary, as a condition precedent to the allowance of the credit provided in this subpart, may require the taxpayer to give a bond, with sureties satisfactory to and approved by the Secretary, in such sum as the Secretary may require, conditioned on the payment by the taxpayer of any amount of tax found due on any such redetermination. Any such bond shall contain such further conditions as the Secretary may require.

"(5) OTHER SPECIAL RULES.—In any redetermination under paragraph (1) by the Secretary of the amount of tax due from the taxpayer for the year or years affected by a refund, the amount of the taxes refunded for which credit has been allowed under this section shall be reduced by the amount of any tax described in section 901 imposed by the foreign country or possession of the United States with respect to such refund; but no credit under this subpart, or deduction under section 164, shall be allowed for any taxable year with respect to any such tax imposed on the refund. No interest shall be assessed or collected on any amount of tax due on any redetermination by the Secretary, resulting from a

refund to the taxpayer, for any period before the receipt of such refund, except to the extent interest was paid by the foreign country or possession of the United States on such refund for such period."

(b) AUTHORITY TO USE AVERAGE RATES.—

- (1) IN GENERAL.—Subsection (a) of section 986 (as amended by subsection (a)) is amended by redesignating paragraph (3) as paragraph (4) and inserting after paragraph (2) the following new paragraph:
- "(3) AUTHORITY TO PERMIT USE OF AVERAGE RATES.—To the extent prescribed in regulations, the average exchange rate for the period (specified in such regulations) during which the taxes or adjustment is paid may be used instead of the exchange rate as of the time of such payment."
- (2) DETERMINATION OF AVERAGE RATES.—
 Subsection (c) of section 989 is amended by striking "and" at the end of paragraph (4), by striking the period at the end of paragraph (5) and inserting ", and", and by adding at the end thereof the following new paragraph:
- "(6) setting forth procedures for determining the average exchange rate for any period."

1 (3) Conforming amendments.—Subsection 2 (b) of section 989 is amended by striking "weighted" each place it appears. 3 (c) Effective Dates.— (1) IN GENERAL.—The amendments made by subsections (a)(1) and (b) shall apply to taxes paid 6 7 or accrued in taxable years beginning after December 31, 1995. 8 9 (2) Subsection (a)(2).—The amendment made by subsection (a)(2) shall apply to taxes which relate 10 11 to taxable years beginning after December 31, 1995. 12 SEC. 4. LIMITED APPLICATION OF UNIFORM CAPITALIZA-13 TION RULES TO FOREIGN PERSONS. 14 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 263A(c) (relating to exceptions) is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new paragraph: 16 17 "(7) FOREIGN PERSONS.—This section shall 18 apply to any taxpayer who is not a United States 19 person only for purposes of applying sections 871(b)(1) and 882(a)(1) and subpart F of part III 20 of subchapter N." 21 22 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by subsection (a) shall apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 1995.

SEC. 5. EXEMPTION FOR ACTIVE FINANCING INCOME.

- 2 (a) EXEMPTION FROM FOREIGN PERSONAL HOLD3 ING COMPANY INCOME.—Subsection (c) of section 954 is
 4 amended by adding at the end the following new para5 graph:
 6 "(4) CERTAIN INCOME DERIVED IN ACTIVE
 - "(4) CERTAIN INCOME DERIVED IN ACTIVE CONDUCT OF TRADE OR BUSINESS.—For purposes of paragraph (1), foreign personal holding company income does not include income which is derived from sources within the country under the laws of which the controlled foreign corporation is created or organized and which is—
 - "(A) income derived in the active conduct of a banking, financing or similar business, but only if such corporation is predominantly engaged in such active conduct;
 - "(B) dividends, interest, and gains from the sale or exchange of stock or securities derived from the investments made by a qualifying insurance company of its unearned premiums or reserves ordinary and necessary for the proper conduct of its insurance business, and which are received from a person other than a related person (within the meaning of subsection (d)(3)); or

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"(C) dividends, interest, and gains from the sale or exchange of stock or securities received from a person other than a related person (within the meaning of subsection (d)(3)) derived from investments made by a qualifying insurance company of an amount of its assets equal to ½ of its premiums earned on insurance contracts during the taxable year (as defined in section 832(b)(4)) which are not directly or indirectly attributable to the insurance or reinsurance of risks of persons who are related persons (within the meaning of subsection (d)(3)).

Dividends, interest, income equivalent to interest, rent, and royalties received or accrued from a related person (within the meaning of subsection (d)(3)), shall be subject to look-thru treatment for purposes of subparagraph (A) under regulations prescribed by the Secretary which are consistent with the principles of section 904(d)(2). The Secretary shall prescribe regulations which interpret subparagraph (A) in accordance with the applicable principles of section 904(d)(2)(C). For purposes of subparagraph (C), the term 'qualifying insurance company' means an insurance company which is subject to regulation

1	as an insurance company under the laws of its coun-
2	try of incorporation and which realizes at least 50
3	percent of its gross income (other than gross income
4	derived from investments) from premiums written on
5	risks situated within its country of incorporation."
6	(b) Exemption From Foreign Base Company
7	SERVICES INCOME.—Paragraph (2) of section 954(e) is
8	amended by striking "or" at the end of subparagraph (A),
9	by striking the period at the end of subparagraph (B) and
10	inserting ", or", and by adding at the end the following:
11	"(C) the active conduct of a banking, fi-
12	nancing or similar business, but only if—
13	"(i) the controlled foreign corporation
14	is predominantly engaged in such active
15	conduct, and
16	"(ii) the income so derived is from
17	sources within the country under the laws
18	of which the controlled foreign corporation
19	is created or organized.
20	The Secretary shall prescribe regulations which
21	interpret subparagraph (C) in accordance with
22	the applicable principles of section
23	904(d)(2)(C).''
24	(c) Effective Date.—The amendments made by
25	this section shall apply to taxable years of foreign corpora-

- 1 tions beginning after December 31, 1995, and to taxable
- 2 years of United States shareholders in which or with which
- 3 such taxable years of foreign corporations end.
- 4 SEC. 6. EXTENSION OF PERIOD TO WHICH EXCESS FOR-
- 5 EIGN TAXES MAY BE CARRIED.
- 6 (a) GENERAL RULE.—Subsection (c) of section 904
- 7 (relating to carryback and carryover of excess tax paid)
- 8 is amended—
- 9 (1) by inserting "in the third preceding taxable
- 10 year," before "in the second preceding taxable
- 11 year", and
- 12 (2) by striking "in the first, second, third,
- fourth, or fifth" and inserting "in any of the first
- 14 15".
- 15 (b) Excess Extraction Taxes.—Paragraph (1) of
- 16 section 907(f) is amended—
- 17 (1) by inserting "in the third preceding taxable
- 18 year," before "in the second preceding taxable
- 19 year", and
- 20 (2) by striking "in the first, second, third,
- fourth, or fifth" and inserting "in any of the first
- 22 15".
- 23 (c) Effective Date.—The amendments made by
- 24 this section shall apply to excess foreign taxes for taxable
- 25 years beginning after December 31, 1995.

1	SEC. 7. APPLICATION OF SEPARATE FOREIGN TAX CREDIT
2	LIMITATION FOR NONCONTROLLED SECTION
3	902 CORPORATIONS.
4	(a) Look-Thru in Case of Noncontrolled Sec-
5	TION 902 CORPORATIONS IF INFORMATION AVAILABLE.—
6	Section 904(d) (relating to separate application of section
7	with respect to certain categories of income) is amended
8	by redesignating paragraphs (4) and (5) as paragraphs
9	(5) and (6), respectively, and by inserting after paragraph
10	(3) the following new paragraph:
11	"(4) Look-thru in the case of certain
12	NONCONTROLLED SECTION 902 CORPORATIONS.—
13	"(A) In general.—Dividends received or
14	accrued by a corporation from a noncontrolled
15	section 902 corporation shall be treated as not
16	described in paragraph (1)(E) if information
17	necessary to make the determinations under
18	subparagraph (B) is readily available to the
19	taxpayer.
20	"(B) Allocation of dividends among
21	CATEGORIES.—Dividends treated as provided in
22	subparagraph (A) which are paid out of the
23	earnings or profits of such corporation shall be
24	treated as income in a separate category in pro-
25	portion to the ratio of—

1	"(i) the portion of the earnings and
2	profits attributable to income in such sepa-
3	rate category, to
4	"(ii) the total amount of earnings and
5	profits.
6	"(C) COORDINATION WITH OTHER PROVI-
7	SIONS.—Dividends treated as provided in sub-
8	paragraph (A) shall not be treated as dividends
9	from a noncontrolled section 902 corporation
10	for purposes of subparagraphs (C)(iii) and (D)
11	of paragraph (2)."
12	(b) Dividends From Other Noncontrolled
13	Section 902 Corporations All in Same Separate
14	Basket.—Subparagraph (E) of section 904(d)(1) is
15	amended to read as follows:
16	"(E) in the case of a corporation, except as
17	provided in paragraph (4), dividends from all
18	noncontrolled section 902 corporations,".
19	(c) Effective Date.—The amendments made by
20	this section shall apply to taxable years of foreign corpora-
21	tions beginning after December 31, 1995, and to taxable
22	years of United States shareholders in which or with which
23	such taxable years of foreign corporations end.

1	SEC. 8. COUNTRIES IN EUROPEAN UNION TREATED A SIN-
2	GLE COUNTRY UNDER SAME COUNTRY EX-
3	CEPTIONS.
4	(a) IN GENERAL.—Subsection (d) of section 954 is
5	amended by adding at the end the following new para-
6	graph:
7	"(5) Countries in European union treat-
8	ED AS 1 COUNTRY.—For purposes of this subsection
9	and subsection (e), in the case of a controlled for-
10	eign corporation which is created or organized under
11	the laws of a country included in the European
12	Union, the geographic extent of such country shall
13	be treated as including the countries in such
14	Union.''
15	(b) Effective Date.—The amendment made by
16	this section shall apply to taxable years of foreign corpora-
17	tions beginning after December 31, 1995, and to taxable
18	years of United States shareholders in which or with which
19	such taxable years of foreign corporations end.
20	SEC. 9. CONTROLLED FOREIGN CORPORATIONS PASSIVE
21	FOREIGN INVESTMENT COMPANY.
22	(a) IN GENERAL.—Subsection (b) of section 1297 is
23	amended by adding at the end thereof the following new
24	paragraph:
25	"(10) Exception where section 951 applies
26	WITHOUT REGARD TO THIS SECTION.—This part

1	shall not apply to a taxpayer with respect to a cor-
2	poration if, without regard to this section—
3	"(A) such corporation is a controlled for-
4	eign corporation (as defined in section 957),
5	and
6	"(B) the taxpayer is a United States
7	shareholder (as defined in section 951(b)) with
8	respect to such corporation."
9	(b) Effective Date.—The amendment made by
10	subsection (a) shall apply to taxable years of foreign cor-
11	porations beginning after December 31, 1995, and to tax-
12	able years of United States shareholders in which or with
13	which such taxable years of foreign corporations end.
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14	SEC. 10. EARNINGS AND PROFITS DEPRECIATION USED IN
14 15 16	SEC. 10. EARNINGS AND PROFITS DEPRECIATION USED IN ASSET BASIS IN ALLOCATING EXPENSES.
14 15 16 17	SEC. 10. EARNINGS AND PROFITS DEPRECIATION USED IN ASSET BASIS IN ALLOCATING EXPENSES. (a) IN GENERAL.—Subsection (e)(2) of section 864
14 15 16 17	SEC. 10. EARNINGS AND PROFITS DEPRECIATION USED IN ASSET BASIS IN ALLOCATING EXPENSES. (a) IN GENERAL.—Subsection (e)(2) of section 864 is amended by inserting at the end thereof the following
14 15 16 17 18	SEC. 10. EARNINGS AND PROFITS DEPRECIATION USED IN ASSET BASIS IN ALLOCATING EXPENSES. (a) IN GENERAL.—Subsection (e)(2) of section 864 is amended by inserting at the end thereof the following new sentence: "Except as otherwise provided in this sub-
14 15 16 17 18 19 20	SEC. 10. EARNINGS AND PROFITS DEPRECIATION USED IN ASSET BASIS IN ALLOCATING EXPENSES. (a) IN GENERAL.—Subsection (e)(2) of section 864 is amended by inserting at the end thereof the following new sentence: "Except as otherwise provided in this sub- section, for purposes of allocating and apportioning any
14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21	SEC. 10. EARNINGS AND PROFITS DEPRECIATION USED IN ASSET BASIS IN ALLOCATING EXPENSES. (a) IN GENERAL.—Subsection (e)(2) of section 864 is amended by inserting at the end thereof the following new sentence: "Except as otherwise provided in this sub- section, for purposes of allocating and apportioning any deductible expense on the basis of assets, the taxpayer
14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21	SEC. 10. EARNINGS AND PROFITS DEPRECIATION USED IN ASSET BASIS IN ALLOCATING EXPENSES. (a) IN GENERAL.—Subsection (e)(2) of section 864 is amended by inserting at the end thereof the following new sentence: "Except as otherwise provided in this sub- section, for purposes of allocating and apportioning any deductible expense on the basis of assets, the taxpayer shall be permitted to base such allocations and apportion-

1	(b) Effective Date.—The amendment made by
2	subsection (a) shall apply to taxable years beginning after
3	December 31, 1995.
4	SEC. 11. RECHARACTERIZATION OF OVERALL DOMESTIC
5	LOSS.
6	(a) GENERAL RULE.—Section 904 is amended by re-
7	designating subsections (g), (h), (i), and (j) as subsections
8	(h), (i), (j), and (k), respectively, and by inserting after
9	subsection (f) the following new subsection:
10	"(g) Recharacterization of Overall Domestic
11	Loss.—
12	"(1) General rule.—For purposes of this
13	subpart, in the case of any taxpayer who sustains an
14	overall domestic loss for any taxable year beginning
15	after December 31, 1995, that portion of the tax-
16	payer's taxable income from sources within the Unit-
17	ed States for each succeeding taxable year which is
18	equal to the lesser of—
19	"(A) the amount of such loss (to the extent
20	not used under this paragraph in prior taxable
21	years), or
22	"(B) 50 percent of the taxpayer's taxable
23	income from sources within the United States
24	for such succeeding taxable year,

shall be treated as income from sources without the United States (and not as income from sources within the United States).

"(2) Overall domestic loss defined.—For purposes of this subsection—

"(A) IN GENERAL.—The term 'overall domestic loss' means any domestic loss to the extent such loss offsets taxable income from sources without the United States for the taxable year or for any preceding taxable year by reason of a carryback. For purposes of the preceding sentence, the term 'domestic loss' means the amount by which the gross income for the taxable year from sources within the United States is exceeded by the sum of the deductions properly apportioned or allocated thereto (determined without regard to any carryback from a subsequent taxable year).

"(B) Taxpayer must have elected foreign tax credit for year of loss.—
The term 'overall domestic loss' shall not include any loss for any taxable year unless the taxpayer chose the benefits of this subpart for such taxable year.

1	"(3) Characterization of subsequent in-
2	COME.—
3	"(A) IN GENERAL.—Any income from
4	sources within the United States that is treated
5	as income from sources without the United
6	States under paragraph (1) shall be allocated
7	among and increase the income categories in
8	proportion to the loss from sources within the
9	United States previously allocated to those in-
10	come categories.
11	"(B) INCOME CATEGORY.—For purposes of
12	this paragraph, the term 'income category' has
13	the meaning given to such term by subsection
14	(f)(5)(E)(i).
15	"(4) Coordination with subsection (f).—
16	The Secretary shall prescribe such regulations as
17	may be necessary to coordinate the provisions of this
18	subsection with the provisions of subsection (f)."
19	(b) Conforming Amendment.—Subparagraph (A)
20	of section 936(a)(2) is amended by striking "section
21	904(f)" and inserting "subsections (f) and (g) of section
22	904".
23	(c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
24	this section shall apply to losses for taxable years begin-
25	ning after December 31, 1995.

1	SEC. 12. EXPANSION OF DE MINIMIS RULE UNDER SUB-
2	PART F.
3	(a) IN GENERAL.—Subparagraph (A) of section
4	954(b)(3) (relating to de minimis, etc., rules) is amended
5	to read as follows:
6	"(A) DE MINIMIS RULE.—If the sum of
7	foreign base company income (determined with-
8	out regard to paragraph (5)) and the gross in-
9	surance income for the taxable year is less than
10	10 percent of gross income, no part of the gross
11	income for the taxable year shall be treated as
12	foreign base company income or insurance in-
13	come."
14	(b) TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS.—
15	(1) Clause (ii) of section $864(d)(5)(A)$ is
16	amended by striking "5 percent or \$1,000,000" and
17	inserting "10 percent".
18	(2) Clause (i) of section 881(c)(5)(A) is amend-
19	ed by striking "5 percent or \$1,000,000" and insert-
20	ing "10 percent".
21	(c) Effective Date.—The amendments made by
22	this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after
23	December 31, 1995.

1	SEC. 13. ALLOCATION OF RESEARCH AND EXPERIMENTAL
2	EXPENDITURES.
3	(a) GENERAL RULE.—Subparagraph (B) of section
4	864(f)(1) (relating to allocation of research and experi-
5	mental expenditures) is amended by striking "50 percent"
6	each place it appears and inserting "64 percent".
7	(b) Allocation Rule Made Permanent.—Sub-
8	section (f) of section 864 is amended by striking para-
9	graph (6).
10	(c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
11	this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after
12	the last taxable year to which section 864(f) of the Inter-
13	nal Revenue Code of 1986 would have applied but for this
14	section.
15	SEC. 14. INCREASE IN FILING THRESHOLDS FOR RETURNS
16	AS TO ORGANIZATION OF FOREIGN COR-
17	PORATIONS AND ACQUISITIONS OF STOCK IN
18	SUCH CORPORATIONS.
19	(a) IN GENERAL.—Subsection (a) of section 6046
20	(relating to returns as to organization or reorganization
21	of foreign corporations and as to acquisitions of their
22	stock) is amended to read as follows:
23	"(a) REQUIREMENT OF RETURN.—A return comply-
24	ing with the requirements of subsection (b) shall be made
25	by—

"(1) each United States citizen or resident who 1 2 becomes an officer or director of a foreign corporation, 10 percent or more in value of the stock of 3 which is owned by a United States person (as defined in section 7701(a)(30), 5 6 "(2) each United States person— "(A) who acquires stock which, when 7 8 added to any stock owned on the date of such acquisition, has a value equal to 10 percent or 9 more of the value of the stock of a foreign cor-10 11 poration, or "(B) who acquires an additional 10 per-12 13 cent or more in value of the stock of a foreign 14 corporation, "(3) each person (not described in paragraph 15 (2)) who is treated as a United States shareholder 16 17 under section 953(c) with respect to a foreign cor-18 poration, and 19 "(4) each person who becomes a United States 20 person while owning 10 percent or more in value of the stock of a foreign corporation. 21 In the case of a foreign corporation with respect to which any person is treated as a United States shareholder 23 under section 953(c), paragraph (1) shall be treated as

- 1 including a reference to each United States person who
- 2 is an officer or director of such corporation."
- 3 (b) Effective Date.—The amendment made by
- 4 this section shall take effect on January 1, 1996.
- 5 SEC. 15. SUBPART F EARNINGS AND PROFITS DETERMINED
- 6 UNDER GENERALLY ACCEPTED ACCOUNTING
- 7 PRINCIPLES.
- 8 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subsection (a) of section 964 (re-
- 9 lating to miscellaneous provisions) is amended by striking
- 10 "rules substantially similar to those applicable to domestic
- 11 corporations, under regulations prescribed by the Sec-
- 12 retary" and inserting "generally accepted accounting prin-
- 13 ciples in the United States".
- 14 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by
- 15 subsection (a) shall apply to distributions during, and the
- 16 determination of the inclusion under section 951 of the
- 17 Internal Revenue Code of 1986 with respect to, taxable
- 18 years of foreign corporations beginning after December
- 19 31, 1995.

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